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Crittenden, Livingston, McCracken and Union Counties Eligible for FSA Emergency Loans

Lexington KY, August 2, 2005 – Farmers in Crittenden, Livingston, McCracken and Union Counties are eligible for emergency loans from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency (FSA).

On July 27, 2005, Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns declared 93 counties in Illinois as disaster areas due to damages and losses caused by drought that occurred from January 1, 2005 and continuing. As a result, counties in Kentucky qualify as contiguous counties and are eligible for emergency loans through FSA.

FSA will make loans, up to \$500,000 per borrower, at a statutory 3.75 percent interest rate, subject to a test for credit. Applications must be filed with the local FSA County office not later than March 27, 2006.

For additional information on any FSA program, contact your local FSA County office or go on-line at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/ky>.

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